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Changes Scheduled for Temporary Bypass Lanes at I-5 (Golden State Freeway) Construction Area in Northern Los Angeles County

One Bypass Lane To Be Removed May 31, Another To Open in June

SANTA CLARITA — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) today advised motorists that it plans to remove a temporary "bypass" lane Thursday night, May 31, on northbound Interstate 5 between Valencia Boulevard and State Route 126 where a pavement construction project is underway in and near the city of Santa Clarita.

In addition, a new bypass lane on the northbound side of I-5 is scheduled to open on the night of June 8. It will start near Pico Canyon Road/Lyons Avenue and continue to Valencia Boulevard in Santa Clarita. The schedule is weather-permitting and dates are subject to change.

The northbound bypass or "crossover" lane shifts traffic to an area that normally is the inner shoulder of the southbound side of the freeway. Temporary lane configurations are in use during a two-year, \$171 million project that is replacing concrete pavement on 16 miles of I-5.

Signs will be posted to alert drivers to the new lane configuration. Drivers are urged to allow extra travel time, be aware of the new lane pattern and observe the 55 mph speed limit in the construction zone. Traffic fines are doubled in construction zones.

The Caltrans I-5 (Golden State Freeway) Roadway Rehabilitation Project is removing and replacing all of the concrete pavement in the right two lanes (#3 and #4 lanes) and repairing damaged sections of the left two lanes (#1 and #2 lanes) on I-5 from one-half mile south of State Route 14 (Antelope Valley Freeway) to 1.7 miles north of Lake Hughes Road.

The expected completion date is summer 2019. Guy F. Atkinson Construction is the contractor. More information is available online at www.dot.ca.gov/d7/projects/5/5-rehab.html

The public will see more pavement projects in the future as a result of SB 1, California's new transportation funding plan.

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